

**Topical Heading**

Rehabilitation

**Program Title**

# Vocational Rehabilitation Services Projects for American Indians with Disabilities

**Also Known as**

Sec. 121 Program, American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation Services Program

**CFDA # (or ED #)**

84.250

**Administering Office**

Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS)

**Who May Apply (specifically)**

The governing body of an Indian tribe or consortia of such governing bodies located on federal and state reservations may apply.

**Current Competitions**

FY 2006 application deadline: April 21, 2006.

**Type of Assistance (by category)**

Discretionary/Competitive Grants

**Appropriations**

Fiscal Year 2004	\$30,800,000
Fiscal Year 2005	\$32,000,000
Fiscal Year 2006	\$33,024,000

**Fiscal Year 2006 Awards Information**

*Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.*

Number of New Awards Anticipated: 5

Average New Award: \$500,000 (median award)

Range of New Awards: \$350,000–\$750,000

Number of Continuation Awards: 67

Average Continuation Award: \$452,160

Range of Continuation Awards: \$258,000–\$1,850,000

**Legislative Citation**

*Rehabilitation Act of 1973*, as amended, Title I, Part C, Sec. 121; 29 *U.S.C.* 741.

**Program Regulations**

34 *CFR* 371

**Program Description**

The purpose of this program is to assist tribal governments to develop or to increase their capacity to provide a program of vocational rehabilitation (VR) services, in a culturally relevant manner, to American Indians with disabilities residing on or near federal or state reservations. The program's goal is to enable these individuals, consistent with their individual strengths, resources, priorities, concerns, abilities, capabilities, and informed choice, to prepare for and engage in gainful employment. Program services are provided under an individualized plan for employment and may include native healing services.

**Types of Projects**

The program provides financial assistance for the establishment and operations of VR services programs for American Indians with disabilities living on or near a federal or state reservation.

**Education Level (by category)**

Adult

**Education Level (specifically)**

Young Adult

**Subject Index**

Alaska Natives, American Indians, Disabilities, Employment, Native Americans, Rehabilitation, Tribes, Vocational Rehabilitation

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